

# RIBELLI ALBANESE OCCUPANO VILLAGGI

## Le Truppe Italiane Sono Costrette a Ritirarsi in Direzione di Vallona

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Roma, 9 giugno.—Gli insorti albanesi hanno occupato i villaggi di Postrova e Bellita in Albania. Secondo notizie qui giunte ieri, le forze italiane si ritirano in direzione di Vallona. Una torpediniera al largo di Vallona protegge la ritirata delle truppe italiane che si crede abbiano perduto parecchi uomini.

Un dispaccio da Londra, in data 6 giugno, segnalava che gli insorti albanesi avevano annibillito un battaglione di truppe italiane nelle vicinanze di Alessio, e che le navi da guerra italiane avevano bombardato la città. Signorile a detta notizia nessun rapporto è giunto da Roma che la confermasse.

Chicago, 9 giugno.—Nel Colosseo di questa città la Convegno Nazionale del Grand Old Party ha iniziato i suoi lavori per la scelta del candidato alla presidenza degli Stati Uniti ed il risultato è atteso ansiosamente da tutta la nazione. La presidenza fu assunta provvisoriamente dal Senatore Lodge del Massachusetts, il quale pronunciò un poderoso discorso che fu tutto una severa requisitoria all'operato di Wilson. Egli esortò accennando brevemente alla guerra mondiale ed alle condizioni anormali che essa ha creato in Europa ed in America ed al lavoro di ricostruzione che deve essere compiuto nei paesi che maggiormente risentono le conseguenze dell'umane conflitto.

### READER'S VIEWPOINT

#### Letters to the Editor on Current Topics

#### This is the Way It Affects One 'Wet'

To the Editor of the Evening Public Ledger:—Sir—As a voter, one of "the people" and, allow me to say, a good citizen, I desire to take exception to your editorial in the EVENING PUBLIC LEDGER under the caption, "The People Wish to End the Liquor Business."

When you make the statement that "the people wish to end the liquor business" you lie. Your editorial is true with regard to the decision by the Supreme Court only. The people had nothing to say. And this is supposed to be a free country.

In defense of your statement you will probably say that the people elected the legislators and congressmen who passed the Eighteenth Amendment, and who voted for the Volstead act and refused by states. This is true, the people did elect these hypocrites whose cellars are full of their favorite "hard" drinks, and who probably accepted money to vote as they did, but they did not elect them on a "wet" platform, or with instructions to vote for prohibition.

The Supreme Court has even taken away the right of states to hold a referendum. And you say "the people" wished it? You are aware of the view of one of the greatest statesmen our country, or the world, ever knew, Theodore Roosevelt, regarding prohibition.

If the people are to decide this question then a direct vote must be taken, but "the people" are merely puppets in the hands of the rich, the corporations and hypocritical organizations, such as the Anti-Saloon League, whose body and soul is in the pocket of the money of the Rockefeller and their ilk.

# GERMAN COALITION BLOC IN MINORITY

## Majority Socialists, Centrists and Democrats Combined Have Only 222 Seats

### OTHER PARTIES TOTAL 238

By the Associated Press

Berlin, June 9.—Unofficial reports from Sunday's election show that the Majority Socialists, Centrists and Democrats, who, by combining, dominated the last session of the German Parliament, will be in the minority in the new republican Reichstag. These parties, according to indications, have only 222 seats, while the seats of other parties total 238.

Including the deputies from plebiscite districts who retain their National Assembly mandates, the new Reichstag will have 400 members. Latest figures show that 25,710,007 votes were polled. Indications are that the seats will be apportioned as follows: Majority Socialists, 110; Independent Socialists, 80; Centrists, 67; German Nationalists, 65; German People's party, 61; Democrats, 45; Christian Federals, 21; Bavarians, 5; Bavarian Peasants' party, 4; Communists, 2.

Three Berlin editors have been elected. They are Otto Hoetzsch, of the Kreuz-Zeitung; Reinhold Wuelle, of the Pan-Germanic and of the anti-Semitic Norddeutsche Allgemeine Zeitung; both members of the German National party, and Heinrich Rippler, of the Taegliche Rundschau, a candidate of the German People's party.

Dr. Wilhelm Meyer, German charge d'affaires at Paris, has been given a mandate by the Bavarian People's party, which comprises the disaffected clericals of Bavaria, Alexander Schlicke, minister of labor, was the only cabinet member who failed to get a seat in the new Reichstag.

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